

Islip, NY – Islip Town Councilman John Edwards recently honored the East Islip Soccer Club for its work in creating a soccer program for autistic children.

The "Just for Kicks" program provides opportunities for the kids to participate in a social setting. The children receive instruction on soccer fundamentals and teamwork. The program is now in its fourth year and has over 45 participants, between the ages of 4 and 15.

Pictured (left to right) are Town Councilman Steve Flotteron; Councilman Gene Parrington; Town Supervisor Phil Nolan; Lou Pepe, creator of the "Just for Kicks" program; Town Clerk Regina Duffy; John Davis, President of the East Islip Soccer Club; Councilman Edwards; and Suffolk County Legislator Tom Cilmi.